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In re Application of:

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Examiner: Angela A. Armstrong

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RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION MAILED AUGUST 5, 2009

Dear Madam:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed August 5, 2009, which has a period for response set to expire on November 5, 2009, the Applicants request the Office enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for reasons discussed below. Although the Applicants believe that no fee is due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0668 for any fees, including extension of time fees or excess claim fees, required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.

Amendment to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.